COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 23 JUNE 2005

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 23 June 2005. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Susan May.

WORKFORCE PLAN 2005/6 TO 2008/9

Council, as recommended by Cabinet on 9 June 2005,

RESOLVED that the Workforce Plan 2005/6 to 2008/9 (including the Action

Plan) be approved as submitted to Cabinet.

FOOD SAFETY SERVICE PLAN 2005/06

Council, as recommended by Cabinet on 9 June 2005,

RESOLVED that the Food Safety Service Plan 2005/06 be approved as

submitted to Cabinet.

HEALTH AND SAFETY SERVICE PLAN 2005-2006

Council, as recommended by Cabinet on 9 June 2005,

RESOLVED that the Health and Safety Service Plan 2005-2006 be approved

as submitted to Cabinet

TRAVELLERS ISSUES: URGENT ITEM

Council agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda in order to have the benefit of the views of local Members.

The Leader read out questions submitted by Councillor Mrs J Dixon.

On a vote being taken, Council

RESOLVED that the £450,000, already authorised for direct action at the

Victoria View traveller site, be made available for any form of appropriate planning enforcement action (including injunctive action) on any unauthorised traveller site in the District.

PERFORMANCE PLAN 2005

Council **RESOLVED**

- (a) to approve the draft Performance Plan 2005 as circulated:
- (b) to give authority to the Chief Executive and the leader of the Council to approve the final draft of the Plan for publication by 30 June 2005.

A14 IMPROVEMENTS - RESPONSE TO CONSULTATIONS

Council **RESOLVED** to

(a) Support the proposed scheme in general terms in order to improve road

safety, accessibility, air quality and economic development and reduce congestion and the impact of noise on existing communities; but require careful consideration to be given by the Highways Agency to mitigating the environmental impacts of the proposals through the development of strategies for spoil, landscape, noise, air quality and ecology;

- (b) Urge the Government and the Highways Agency to give the highest priority to the scheme and deliver it at the earliest opportunity;
- (c) Support the original CHUMMS proposal to provide a new 3-lane dual carriageway from Fen Ditton to the A1, but seek a minor realignment north of Conington, and reject the alternative which would reduce this new length of road to 2-lanes dual carriageway and keep the A14 north open as a Trunk Road;
- (d) Oppose the County Council's proposal for an additional interchange at the A1198 and suggest that the County Council must use other means of dealing with access to Huntingdon;
- (e) Support the Highways Agency's revised proposals for the Fen Drayton Interchange and Trinity Foot junction which would provide direct A14 access for the Swavesey Services Area;
- (f) Urge the provision of a dual 2 lane parallel local distributor road, without intermediate roundabouts, between Fen Drayton and Bar Hill so that it of the same standard as elsewhere along the route
- (g) Seek a change to the Girton Interchange to enable all movements to be made to prevent traffic passing through villages
- (h) Require the Bar Hill to Girton section to be the first phase of the scheme in order to facilitate the new developments close to Cambridge especially the new town of Northstowe
- (i) Support the suggestion of a foot/cycle bridge over the A14 at Histon/Impington
- (j) Seek assurance that the access needs of the major development location of Cambridge East will be taken into account
- (k) Require additional work to be undertaken by the Highways Agency to ensure adequate provision is made for non-car modes including the need to establish network connectivity over the wider area
- (I) Authorise the Planning and Economic Portfolio Holder to make any additional comments in the light of further information from the Highways Agency or other stakeholders; including wording to be agreed with Councillor MJ Mason on the conflict between the A14 as a trunk road and as a local road;
- (m) Authorise the Planning and Economic Portfolio Holder to agree with the County Council and other key partners a joint statement of general support for the proposals

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS' REMUNERATION PANEL

The Information and Customer Services Portfolio Holder reported that some councillors had raised concerns about the membership of the Panel, and recommended appointments on a rolling three year basis. He did not, however, consider that appointments should be restricted to certain areas of society. Council

RESOLVED that the Independent Members' Remuneration Panel be appointed on a rolling three year basis starting with the current year.

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Council **RESOLVED** to make the following appointments:

Cambridgeshire Association of Local Councils
Circle 33
Cottenham Village College Sports Centre

Dr JR Williamson
Mrs HF Kember
SM Edwards

Management Group

CABINET 9 JUNE 2005

IT Comms Room Air Conditioning (Minute 11)

The Resources and Staffing Portfolio Holder reported that the authorisation of the use of capital reserves if necessary was a decision which had to be made by Council.

Council

RESOLVED that the use of capital reserves for funding the purchase of a

second air conditioning unit be authorised in case this should

prove necessary.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor NJ Scarr

Council **RESOLVED**

That South Cambridgeshire District Council is aware of the need to conduct as much as possible of its business in public, and to be seen to do.

Council therefore resolves that when agendas and reports are prepared for meetings, confidential material will be gathered into an appendix or separate section, so that as much as possible of the agenda, item or report can be debated in public.

Council believes that this commitment is essential to re-assure the public that only legally exempt material is being withheld, and to maintain public confidence in the decision-making processes.

Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor JA Hockney

Council

RESOLVED

that the Notice of Motion relating to the procedure for leadership elections, together with the amendment proposed by Councillor A Riley, be referred to the Constitution Review Working Party for detailed consideration.